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Kevin D. MacLean)	Group Art Unit: 2128
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Application No.: 10/098,714)	Examiner: Alhija, Saif A.
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Filed: 15 March 2002)	
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Title: USING A SUGGESTED SOLUTION TO)	
SPEED UP A PROCESS FOR SIMULATIN	NG)	
AND CORRECTING AN INTEGRATED)	
CIRCUIT LAYOUT)	

STATUS INQUIRY

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The above referenced application was filed on 15 March 2002. A request for continued examination was filed on 21 August 2006, with a return postcard stamped 23 August 2006 by OIPE (please see attached). It has been over four months since the RCE was filed. Kindly advise the undersigned as to when we may expect to receive the next Official Action on this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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